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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5407**
Akira KAMIYA : Docket No. 2001_0976A
Serial No. 09/900,168 : Group Art Unit 2613
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004, having a three (3) month shortened-statutory period for response set to expire May 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: